

Figure 1A: DTA (differential thermal analysis) curve showing temperature ranges used for Rod-in-tube (RIT) and Double-crucible (DC) fiber-drawing processes, respectively.

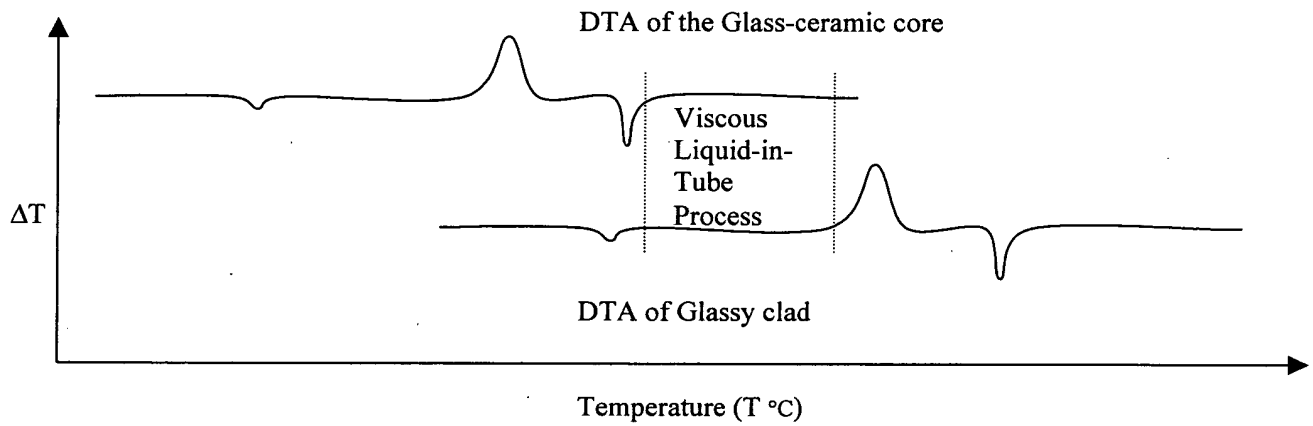


Figure 1B: Schematic showing the “viscous’-liquid-in-tube” process.

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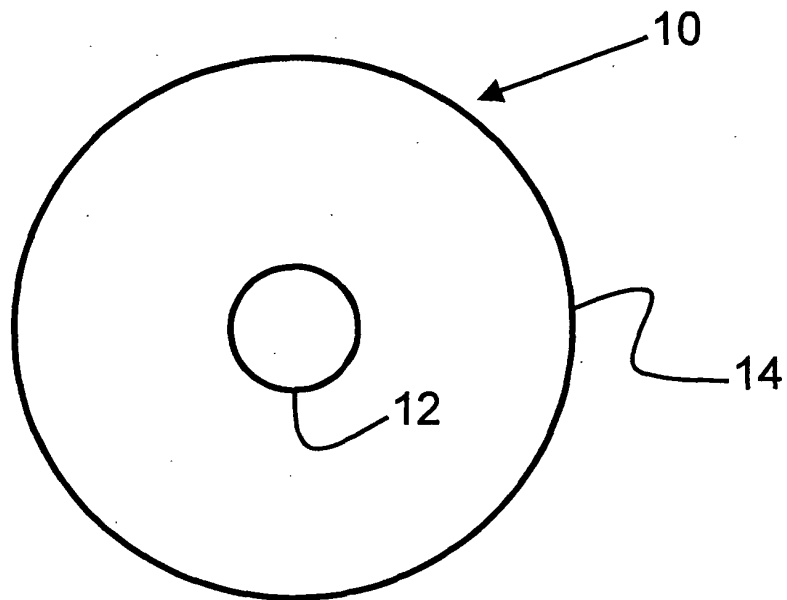


FIG. 2